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[*on a proposal considered in plenary meeting (E/2017/L.1)*]

2017/1. Working arrangements for the 2017 session of the Economic and Social Council

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolutions 61/16 of 20 November 2006 and 68/1 of 20 September 2013 concerning the strengthening of the Economic and Social Council,

Reiterating that, as a principal organ of the United Nations, the Council is entitled to hold ad hoc meetings as and when needed, with full substantive support and conference services, to address urgent developments in the economic, social, environmental and related fields,

Noting that the arrangements set forth in the annex to General Assembly resolution 68/1 should not lead to an increase in the number of meeting days currently provided for the Council,

Acknowledging that, in scheduling its sessions, meetings and consultations, the Council should take into consideration meetings of other bodies dealing with economic, social and environmental issues to avoid unnecessary overlapping and overburdening of their agendas,

Recalling the adoption of the Addis Ababa Action Agenda of the Third International Conference on Financing for Development[1] and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,[2]

Decides on the following working arrangements for the 2017 session of the Economic and Social Council, mindful that it may need to convene additional meetings as needed:

(*a*) Coordination and management meetings will be held from Wednesday, 26 April, to Friday, 28 April 2017; from Wednesday, 7 June, to Friday, 9 June 2017; on Thursday, 6 July 2017; and from Tuesday, 25 July, to Wednesday, 26 July 2017;

[1] General Assembly resolution 69/313, annex.

[2] General Assembly resolution 70/1.

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(*b*) The youth forum will be held on Monday, 30 January, and Tuesday, 31 January 2017;

(*c*) The operational activities for development segment will be held from Tuesday, 28 February, to Thursday, 2 March 2017;

(*d*) The partnership forum will be held on Wednesday, 5 April 2017;

(*e*) The integration segment will be held from Monday, 8 May, to Wednesday, 10 May 2017;

(*f*) The multi-stakeholder forum on science, technology and innovation for the Sustainable Development Goals will be held on Monday, 15 May, and Tuesday, 16 May 2017;

(*g*) The humanitarian affairs segment will be held in Geneva, from Wednesday, 21 June, to Friday, 23 June 2017;

(*h*) The high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, will be held from Monday, 10 July, to Friday, 14 July 2017, and the three-day ministerial meeting of the forum will be held from Monday, 17 July, to Wednesday, 19 July 2017;

(*i*) The high-level segment, including the three-day ministerial meeting of the high-level political forum on sustainable development, convened under the auspices of the Council, will be held from Monday, 17 July, to Thursday, 20 July 2017;

(*j*) The organizational session regarding the programme of work of the Council from July 2017 to July 2018 will be held on Thursday, 27 July 2017;

(*k*) The one-day special meeting of the Council on international cooperation in tax matters will be held on a date to be decided;

(*l*) The forum on financing for development follow-up will be held on a date to be decided.

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